

Bureau of Professional Licensing Real Estate FAQ (PA 299 of 1980)

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The law applicable to this profession is found at the following link:

<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-act-299-of-1980>

<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-299-1980-25>

http://w3.lara.state.mi.us/orr/AdminCode.aspx?AdminCode=Department&Dpt=LR&Level_1=Bureau+of+Professional+Licensing

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1. Who approves continuing education courses?

As of January 1, 2015, continuing education courses no longer require approval by the Bureau of Professional Licensing (BPL) or by anyone else.

2. How will the continuing education course process work after January 1, 2015?

A licensee must complete at least 18 clock hours of continuing education per 3-year license cycle. The licensee must certify they have completed the required continuing education on their license renewal application. The licensee must retain evidence that demonstrates he or she has met the continuing education requirements for at least 4 years after the date of certification. CSCL may complete an audit to determine if licensees have completed the required continuing education. The licensee is responsible for producing the record that contains evidence the licensee completed the required continuing education. The licensee may allow a vendor to track continuing education and reply to a CSCL continuing education audit, but the licensee is ultimately responsible for acquiring and reporting continuing education.

3. What is the criterion for continuing education courses for real estate salespersons and brokers?

Pursuant to MCL 339.2504a(1), continuing education courses must involve any subject that is relevant to the management, operation, and practice of real estate or any other subject that contributes to the professional competence of a licensee or applicant.

4. What is property management? What activities does it include?

Article 25 of the Occupational Code, Act 299 of 1980, includes the following definitions:

"Property management" means the leasing or renting, or the offering to lease or rent, of real property of others for a fee, commission, compensation, or other valuable consideration pursuant to a property management employment contract.

"Property management employment contract" means the written agreement entered into between a real estate broker and client concerning the real estate broker's employment as a property manager for the client; setting forth the real estate broker's duties, responsibilities, and activities as a property manager; and setting forth the handling, management, safekeeping, investment, disbursement, and use of property management money, funds, and accounts.